

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are numbered 1-15. The rejections and comments of the Examiner set forth in the Office Action dated June 9, 2005 have been carefully considered by the Applicants. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider and allow the remaining claims.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the present Office Action, the Examiner has stated that the present Application contains two distinct inventions related as a process and apparatus for its practice. Specifically, the Examiner has required Applicant to elect between a first invention, recited in Claims 1-15, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 315; and a second invention, recited in Claims 16-29, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 258.

ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE

Applicants hereby elect without traverse to prosecute the first invention, recited in Claims 1-15, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 315.

CONCLUSION

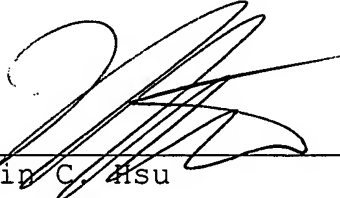
In light of the election/restriction presented herein, Applicants respectfully requests consideration of the elected claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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